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Public Service Commission of South Carolina

Clerk's Office

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Dear Sir:

I have been an observer of the Public Service Commission for some time and I must admit that I have had some serious reservations about how South Carolina Electric and Gas has been treated as an entity completely dependent on the commission for increases in their rates. It has always appeared that what ever they requested had to be approved. I can not explain to you how concerned I have been over this blanket approval of their request. I guess the time has finally arrived when the people who have been the silent majority has acknowledged that there is some thing going on here that needs further attention. They are a wonderful utility. I have nothing but praise for the way they have managed the company and that goes for their employees also. They appear to be the cream on the top and they have been there and will probably always be there because no one questions how they got there or just how they spend their profits.

I have watched their stocks as the market seemed to wrestle with itself in this declining market and they have been the company with the great weathering of the tide. Stock does very well and dividends apparently do also. The employees and those who are retired must have the best of benefits. Unlike the majority of their customers, they must not know what the real world is suffering through and has been suffering for the last several years.

Please require that they make changes that will keep them afloat and their customers in their home for the duration of this economic situation the country has found itself in today.

Sincerely,

*James P. Lyons*

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